

IDEA Maintenance of Effort Compliance Updates

The IDEA Maintenance of Effort report is now available in WISEgrants. There have been many upgrades made to the report, including automating exceptions for Capital Expenditures and Assumption of High Cost Revenue. All individuals who have access to the LEA's IDEA entitlement budgets within WISEgrants have access to the "Maintenance of Effort" menu item under Change Act Here > IDEA.

Although we made an attempt to complete the compliance step for FY 2016-17 IDEA MOE in the legacy Special Education web portal, there were too many issues involving the October 1 child count collection through WISEdata that the older software could not handle. That being the case, we still need to complete FY 2016-17 IDEA MOE compliance. We were able to hand-enter several student exceptions on behalf of LEAs in WISEgrants, but any staff exceptions entered into the Special Education web portal need to be re-entered by the LEA in WISEgrants.

If your LEA was **meeting** FY 2016-17 MOE compliance in the legacy Special Education web portal, and now in WISEgrants the LEA's compliance status reads "Failed" it is due to one of two situations: 1) Personnel exceptions need to be re-entered into WISEgrants and approved or 2) the October 1 Child Count was incorrect in the legacy application causing a false positive in the MOE results.

The [IDEA MOE Guide](#) has been revised to reflect the rebuild of the MOE web-based compliance software in WISEgrants. It provides an overview of the IDEA MOE regulations, covers how DPI tests an LEA's compliance with the MOE regulations, and walks the reader through the web-based MOE Eligibility and Compliance reports.

Over the next couple of weeks, we will be contacting LEAs that are failing FY 2016-17 IDEA MOE compliance and FY 2017-18 IDEA MOE eligibility to resolve the non-compliance.

We will provide a brief overview of the IDEA MOE compliance and eligibility software during the Thursday, February 2 edition of [WISEgrants Weekly](#). A more thorough demo will be held on Monday, February 5, from 11:30 to 12:45. Click [here](#) to register for the Monday demo.

To schedule a call to discuss an LEA's MOE compliance status, please contact Marge Schenk at marjorie.schenk@dpi.wi.gov or 608-267-9176.